SENATE RESOLUTION 7005 By Burchett

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Bailey Priest upon winning the Tennessee Residence Brindley Scholar Art Contest.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those talented citizens of this State whose creative abilities find outlet and expression through art; and

WHEREAS, one such highly talented and creative Tennessean is Bailey Priest of Bearden High School, who recently won the Tennessee Arts Commission's Tennessee Residence Brindley Scholar Art Contest; and

WHEREAS, "Far Hills – Images of the Tennessee Residence" is a traveling art exhibit featuring the drawings and paintings of renowned landscape artist Charles Brindley, and the exhibit is part of the Restoration and Preservation of the Tennessee Residence program; and

WHEREAS, Restoration and Preservation of the Tennessee Residence was initiated by Governor Phil Bredesen and First Lady Andrea Conte to preserve the history and integrity of the historic Tennessee governor home; and

WHEREAS, as part of the exhibit's tour, an art contest was held that granted local high schools the option of submitting one student's artwork for local exhibition and a chance to win scholarships provided by the Tennessee Arts Commission; students were asked to create an artwork that focused on a subject significant to Tennessee's history; and

WHEREAS, as winner of the contest, Bailey Priest will receive a \$300 scholarship, and her water color painting, "Trail of Tears," will travel with the "Far Hills – Images of the Tennessee Residence" exhibit; and

WHEREAS, Bailey Priest displayed the utmost artistic ability, and her painting, "Trail of Tears," will be entered into a State-wide contest with the chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Bailey Priest's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, a gifted and committed artist, Bailey Priest serves as an example of the exceptional quality of the youth of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly wishes to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding young artists on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and commend Bailey Priest upon winning the Tennessee Residence Brindley Scholar Art Contest and wish her every success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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